

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CHULA VISTA SAFETY COMMISSION**

**May 10, 2007
6:00 p.m.**

**Community Room
Chula Vista Police Department Headquarters**

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.

1. Roll Call:

Present: Chair Perrett; Vice-Chair Liken; Commissioners Lopez, Moriarty, and Cochrane

Absent: Commissioners Navarro and Rosario

Also present: Senior Civil Engineer, Jim Newton
Officer Ryan Mullen
Recording Secretary, Lindsey Walters

2. Pledge of Allegiance/Silent Prayer

3. Opening Statement

Opening statement read by Chair Perrett.

4. Approval of Minutes: April 12, 2007

MSC (Perrett/Cochrane) to approve the minutes from the April 12, 2007 Safety Commission Meeting.
(4-0-1-2) Lopez abstains; Rosario, Navarro absent.

5. Safety Commission Attendance Report

Accepted by Safety Commission.

6. Oral Communications

None.

See

MEETING AGENDA

7. Report on the Trial All-way Stop Installation at the Intersection of Lane Avenue and Mackenzie Creek Road

After receiving significant public opposition to a modification of the City truck route map, a community meeting was held to better understand the citizen's concerns. During the meeting, the residents of neighborhoods adjacent to Lane Avenue (immediately south of Proctor Valley Road) shared their concerns regarding speeding vehicles and pedestrian safety along Lane Avenue, particularly at its intersection with Mackenzie Creek Road. A report responding to these concerns was presented to City Council on August 22, 2006. In an effort to address the residents speeding and pedestrian safety concerns, the City Council directed staff to proceed with the installation of an all-way stop at the intersection of Lane Avenue and Mackenzie Creek Road. Since this intersection was considered at a past Safety Commission Meeting and did not warrant an all-way stop installation at that time, the all-way stop was to be installed as a "trial traffic control device." As such, staff would monitor its operation and return to the City Council with a recommendation on whether to retain the all-way stop installation permanently or not.

Staff Recommendation: That the Safety Commission concur with staff's recommendation for the City Council to approve the all-way stop at Lane Avenue and Mackenzie Creek Road as a permanent traffic control measure.

Public Hearing Opened.

1. Kristen Adams, Rolling Hills Ranch – Declines for safety concerns.
2. Charles E. Wilson, 2579 Saddleback Street
3. Mr. Wilson's Daughter, Same address

Public Hearing Closed.

Commission Discussion: Commissioner Cochrane commented that he's been observing this intersection, and he has to concur with the speakers that he would be nervous to cross Lane Avenue under the current configuration. They have a valid fear of people coming through the stop sign. The Commissioner wondered if the Commission approves the stop sign, if there could also be some addendum to the approval for a future installation of a traffic signal because he believed it to be the best possible control for this intersection.

Commissioner Moriarty was on another traffic commission in another City, where the use of crosswalks was debated as giving false security to people using it. So she also agreed that a traffic signal needs to be evaluated, even though it doesn't meet all of the requirements, because of the school nearby.

Commissioner Lopez also concurred, and asked if the Border Patrol knew if this decision was to be made, as no one from their office showed up at our Commission Meeting.

MSC (Perrett/Liken) to concur with staff's recommendation (5-0-2). Commissioners Navarro, Rosario absent.

MSC (Cochrane/Perrett) to conduct a survey about the feasibility of flashing lights, and still look into installing a traffic light. (5-0-2) Commissioners Navarro, Rosario absent.

8. Presentation on Citywide Speed Enforcement Campaign.

Powerpoint presentation given by Senior Civil Engineer Newton.

9. Traffic Engineering CIP Project Update – May 2007

Brief presentation by Senior Civil Engineer Newton.

10. Traffic Accident Summary

Officer Ryan Mullen informed that Commission that there has been a downward trend, and zero fatalities.

11. Action Summary Update/Staff Comments

- **April 12, 2007**

- **Two hour Time-Limited Parking along the 500 block of Vance Street:** The Commission concurred with staff's recommended establishment of two hour time-limited parking zone along Vance Street. This item was taken to Council in May of 2007, and the Ordinance just had a second reading on June 5th, 2007.

- **March 8, 2007**

- **Davidson Street/Landis Avenue All-Way Stop Control:** The Commission concurred with staff's recommended installation of an all-way stop control and painting of crosswalks. The installation of the all-way stop control and painting of cross-walks on all four legs of this intersection have been completed.

- **February 8, 2007**

- **25 MPH speed limit sign installations on Old Janal Ranch Road between Olympic Vista Road and Rambling Vista Road.**
- **Striping Modifications on Olympic Vista Road to gain additional on-street parking.**
 - The Commission concurred with staff's recommended installation of 25 MPH speed limit signs on Old Janal Ranch Road, and striping modification on Olympic Vista Road. Both the Olympic Parkway speed limit signs/legends installation and the striping modifications work on Olympic Vista Road has been completed as of May 2007.
- **November 9, 2006**
 - **Speed Limit establishment on First Avenue south of Palomar Street:** The Commission concurred with staff's recommended 25 MPH speed limit, and an Ordinance was adopted by the City Council on February 20, 2007. Speed limit signs have been installed.
 - **Time-limited parking on Lazo Court:** The Commission concurred with staff's recommended 4-hour time-limited parking, in addition to "No Overnight Parking" signs. All signs and posts will be installed by the Public Works crew in mid May of 2007.
- **September 19, 2006 (City Council)**
 - **Lane Avenue/MacKenzie Creek Road Truck Route & All-Way Stop Control:** The Commission concurred with staff's recommended all-way stop control as a temporary measure to observe effectiveness, and the all-way stop was installed on September 22, 2006. A staff report has been prepared with staff's recommendation regarding this all-way stop control intersection, and is to be taken to Council in July 2007.
- **August 10, 2006**
 - **First Avenue/Kearney Street All-Way Stop Control:** The Commission denied the all-way stop and advised staff to work with the church to pursue the lease or purchase of the property to provide a second driveway for the school and install crosswalk, warning signs, and school to provide a safety patrol and school to pay for possible CMS signs. Staff will prepare an action item report to the City Council. City's right of way agent will contact the School/Church to pursue the leasing/purchase of the right of way needed to construct a second driveway for St. John's School.

12. Potential Upcoming Safety Commission Agenda Item

- **Request for Time-limited Parking along the 400 Block of Church Avenue**
 - **Summary:** Residents have requested the installation of time-limited parking at this location. The residents claim that they have been experiencing parking issues related to local businesses, and are requesting time-limited parking along Church Avenue to alleviate these concerns.
- **Request for Time-limited Parking and or Angle Parking along Marsat Court at of Jayken Way**
 - **Summary:** A business owner/tenant have requested the installation of time-limited parking at this industrial location. The tenant claims that the business have been experiencing parking issues most probably related employees of the surrounding businesses using the on-street parking, and are requesting time-limited and/or angle parking along Jayken Way and Marsat Court.

OTHER BUSINESS

13. Commissioner Comments

Chair Perrett informed the Commission that he would not be able to attend either the June or the July Safety Commission Meetings. Commissioner Cochrane will be leaving the 24th of June, and not returning until the 15th of July. Commissioner Moriarty will be leaving the 8th of July. Commissioner Lopez's time on the Commission is coming to an end, as he has termed out. City Staff will send out an email before the June and July meetings to assess the attendance of each meeting.

14. Staff Comments

None.

ADJOURNMENT AT 7:15 P.M. to the next regularly scheduled meeting of June 14, 2007.

Respectfully submitted,

Lindsey Walters, Recording Secretary